## STUCK IN A WINDOW

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One late afternoon, A rig rgad po reached the Jo khang Temple in Lha sa but, finding the temple door locked, he stuck his head through a small window to see the Jo bo image. After gazing at it for some time, he found he couldn't pull his head out, no matter how hard he pulled.

A wise man in his group asked, "A rig rgad po, what are you doing?"

"I can't get my head back out of this window," answered A rig rgad po.

"Hm, I see. How did you get your head into the window?" asked the wise man.

A rig rgad po turned his head, pulled it out of the window, saying, "I got my head into the window like this."

"Wow! I got my head out of the window!" A rig rgad po exclaimed happily and went on to circumambulate the Jo khang.

## NON-ENGLISH TERMS

a rig rgad po জাইবাৰ্চ্যা jo khang ই'্দ্ৰ্য jo bo ই'ৰ্মা lha sa শ্বুজা pad ma skyid ঘ্ৰ্যুস্থ্য

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